

## **Gwernaffield and Pantymwyn Community Council**

### **Minutes of the meeting of Gwernaffield and Pantymwyn Community Council held on 6 December 2017 at Ysgol Y Waun.**

**Present:**, Cllr. K Armstrong, Cllr. D Bolton, J Elcock, Councillor K Johnson, Councillor L Pritchard (Chair), Councillor S Roscoe and Councillor G Tattum.

**In Attendance:** Mrs K L Roberts

#### **1. To consider accepting apologies for absence**

Councillor R Hughes (Vice Chairman), Cllr. C Hopwood, Cllr. R Morgan, Cllr. Roberts, Cllr L Vaughan and County Councillor Adele Davies - Cooke

#### **2. To record declarations of interest from members**

Cllr. D Bolton item 10.

#### **3. To approve the minutes of the last council meeting 8 November 2017**

The minutes of the meeting were approved and duly signed as an accurate record by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr Bolton and seconded by Cllr. Johnson.

#### **4. Matters arising from the last minutes**

Amendment/addition to the minutes Mr and Mrs Parker will provide the entertainment free of charge for the senior citizens Christmas meal. Councillors approved they would have a Christmas meal for which no charge would be made.

The clerk reported on an update on Street light renewal from County. Mr Darell Jones, Street lighting manager sent an email to inform members that all sox owned lights by Flintshire County Council will be being replaced in the next 6 months.

#### **5. Streetscene Matters**

The clerk to follow up requests for white lines on Cilcain Road /corner of Cefn Bychan Road.

Cllr. Pritchard reported the trees in Y Waen have still not been cut back. There is a slip hazard due to leaves on the footpath.

**RESOLVED: The clerk will liaise with Streetscene accordingly.**

#### **6. Police Matters**

Concerns over residents reports to police of a young man calling at a number of properties in Cilcain road and surrounding area and asking to be called a taxi as he appeared disorientated. Residents have reported to these incidents to the police.

**RESOLVED: The clerk contact PCSO Chey Arrowsmith for any further information.**

#### **7. Clerks Update and Correspondence**

The Major's Christmas Concert has been cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances. Cllr. Tattum understood there had been poor ticket sales.

The clerk read out an update from Mr Gareth Owens, Flintshire County Council monitoring officer which states the review of parliamentary constituencies won't affect the operation of boundaries of the community council. Electoral arrangements will be reviewed in Flintshire in late 2018. The

review will seek to review the number of County Councillors and may change ward boundaries. However, there are no specific proposals as yet in existence. Any changes which are made will not come into effect until the next elections in 2022 at the earliest.

The clerk reported on a request for financial assistance Flintshire CAB of £500. The clerk read a letter received which reported 50 residents for Gwernaffield have been assisted generating £32,036 in welfare benefits. After discussion Cllr. Bolton proposed £100 financial assistance, this was seconded by Cllr. Pritchard.

**RESOLVED: To provide £100 financial assistance to Flintshire Citizens Advice Bureau.**

## **8. To consider a Local Resolution Protocol for Community and Town Councils**

The clerk had circulated two model resolution protocols for dealing with low level complaints between members in Town and Community Councils. After discussion, it was proposed by Cllr. Bolton and seconded by Cllr. Roscoe to formally adopt the protocol already used by a number of community councils including Caerwys Town Council. This is a simplified flow diagram with narrative indicating timescales for the community council to investigate a complaint.

## **9. Community Events and Representation**

Cllr. Tattum had attended the quarterly liaison meeting. Cllr Johnson had been in touch with the Quarry Manager, Mr Jason Parry who advised the quarry has had a large order for material from the aggregates division received on site resulting in a greater amount of loading and movement. The quarry has increased the frequency of the road sweeper.

**RESOLVED: Cllr. Johnson respond to Mr Jason Parry on behalf of the community council to express concern.**

Cllr. Johnson reported on a successful "Big Dig" in Gwernaffield Park/Playing fields, over 30 people attended from the villages, including the scouts and residents who planted plants, hedges also in the conservation garden. Cllr. Johnson thanked the clerk for her attendance and welcomed more community councillors to future events. Trees/shrubs will now be received twice yearly from the woodland trust.

Two other events which took place in the community were the Gwernaffield and Pantymwyn Christmas Fairs with many residents turning out. Cllr. Johnson reported, she understood both were a success.

## **10. Planning Matters and Planning Decisions**

The clerk reported to members about the pre-deposit proposals public consultation (preferred strategy) Flintshire Local Development Plan 2015 – 2030. This is available on the Councils website [www.flintshire.gov.uk/idp](http://www.flintshire.gov.uk/idp) Comments should be received by Thursday 21 December 2017.

Councillors asked the clerk to comment that Gwernaffield and Pantymwyn Community Council do not have the infrastructure to deal with significant housing development.

**RESOLVED: The clerk to respond accordingly.**

**11. To approve payments to be made. RESOLVED:**

<b>Dec-17</b>			
<b>SO</b>	K.Roberts		476
<b>DD</b>	Scottish Power		280.76
100855	Deeco lighting	Christmas lights	300
100856	VOID		
100857	Kay Roberts	expenses	76.00
100858	HMRC	PAYE	63.00
100859	Kam's catering		800.00
			£1,995.76

The meeting closed at 8.35pm.